

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018
COMMUNITY AUDITORIUM CONFERENCE ROOM
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1) ROLL CALL:

- a) Commissioners – Kenneth Cobleigh, Howard Sullivan, Glenn VanBlarcom and Paul Waterstreet. Absent: Brad Bafaro, Ralph Brown, McKenzie Johnston Carey, Susan Taylor and Jeremiah Toews.
- b) Council Liaison – Malynda Wenzl
- c) Staff – Matt Baum and Tom Gamble

2) CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There was not a quorum so the minutes of the March 21, 2018 meeting could not be approved.

4) ADDITION/DELETIONS: None

5) OLD BUSINESS:

a) Rogers Park Renovation

- i) The redwood tree that was removed will be divided up as follows:
 - i) The City will receive the majority of board feet.
 - ii) Clean Water Services will get a hunk to be used at Fernhill Wetlands.
 - iii) ABC will be utilizing the bark.
 - iv) Family made some commitments and sold some.
- ii) The entire project will cost approximately \$1.2 million. Currently the City has \$500,000 and Robinson Foundation has donated \$150,000, so the project would need to be done in phases.
- iii) Harpers Playground Foundation would like to get involved to help raise funds to complete the project all at once, but they will need time which would push back the project.
- iv) Tom, the City Manager and Cody from Harpers Playground Foundation will be meeting tomorrow to discuss the matter.
- v) The Timbers organization has approached us about helping to fund a futsal court in the park. FC West would be interested in partnering with them.

b) Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Items

- i) Design/Development
- ii) A.T. Smith House
- iii) Stites Property
- iv) North Lincoln Park – Schmidke Property
- v) Water space needs at the aquatic center.
- vi) Property purchase in East Forest Grove.
- vii) Staff impact.

c) Aquatic Center 50th Anniversary

- i) The planning is in the final stages and the committee will be meeting again next week for this June 16th event.
- ii) A couple more speakers have been added and the high school and Tom McCall will also be open for tours.

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d) Thatcher Park Signs

- i) Ken redid 20 signs to reflect changes made after the goats went through.

6) NEW BUSINESS:

a) Pacific University Softball Batting Facility

- i) Lauren from Pacific came and presented a few ideas about a possible indoor facility.
- ii) It would be located where the current batting cages are, but double the width.
70'x45'x16'
- iii) A pole barn type building with concrete floor, turf, heated, ventilated and electrical outlets.
- iv) The indoor hitting cages with nets would be moveable.
- v) This could potentially be a shared space.
- vi) Since it would cross property lines there would need to be a joint use agreement.

7) COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

a) Paul:

- i) The CEP grant discussion takes place tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m. We are asking for \$9,000 for additional park signs.

8) COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:

a) Malynda:

- i) Community Development is looking at ways to revitalize the downtown area. Ideas include a "parklet" which is a portable structure with benches and bringing in events while closing the streets for a short time to draw people in.
- ii) It is our 30 year anniversary with our Sister City, Ngygen. An adult delegation will be in town June 30 thru July 5. There will be a dinner event on July 3, \$35.00 per person.
- iii) I appreciate the Recreation Commission's recognition of volunteers.
- iv) Jill with Unified Sports has combined a drama club and cheerleaders, now Unified Performers. They will be presenting a free play "Out of Darkness" on Thursday and Friday at 7:00 p.m. at the high school. It will be followed by a question and answer time.
- v) The Period Club is working to get products to those in need.
- vi) CEP presentations are tomorrow night.
- vii) "Citizens for Community Involvement" will host a Latino summit on May 23 with a trained facilitator working to bring the community together.

9) STAFF REPORTS:

a) Tom:

- i) The Aquatic Center fees will increase 3.5% on July 1st. Minimum wage will rise 6.7% to \$12.00. Our goal is to recover 50% of operating costs through fees.

b) Matt:

- i) The signs purchased with last years' CEP grant will be installed Friday or next week.

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- 10) **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 16 at 7:00 a.m.
- 11) **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 a.m.